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grew tired of the delay and the conferences were broken up. Thus Napoleon sacrificed everything rather than his glory. He fell from a great height, but he never, by his signature, consented to any dismemberment of France.

The Plenipotentiaries of the Allies, convinced that these renewed difficulties and demands had no other object but to gain time, stated that the Allied powers, faithful to their principles, and in conformity with their previous declarations, regarded the negotiations at Châtillon as terminated by the French <>ov<>rnment. The rupture of the conferences took place* on the 1st of March, nine days after the presentation of the ultimatum of the Allied powers.¹ The issue of these long discussions was thus left to be decided by the chances of war, which were not very favorable to the man who boldly contended against armed Europe. The successes of the Allies during the conferences at Châtillon had opened to their view the road to Paris,⁵¹ while Napoleon shrunk from the necessity of mining his own dbgraec. In these circumstances was to be found the noli* caue of his ruin, and he might have said, ^{4fc} "Tnttf ntt //w/«,/w# la ifloirn" His glory is immortal.

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